

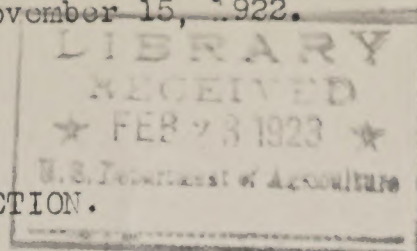
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PULPWOOD CONSUMPTION AND WOOD-PULP PRODUCTION.

Washington, D. C., November 15, 1922. - Preliminary statistics just released by the Department of Commerce, compiled by the Bureau of the Census, acting in cooperation with the Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, show that during 1921 the consumption of pulpwood was 4,557,179 cords, and the production of wood pulp was 2,875,601 tons. This is a decrease of 25.5 per cent in the consumption of pulpwood and 24.8 per cent in the production of wood pulp compared with the preceding year, when the demand for pulp was still abnormal owing to the world shortage following the war. The decreased activity in this industry during 1921 appears to have been general throughout the country with the exception of Oregon and California, the consumption of wood in the manufacture of pulp in those states having increased, during the past several years.

In 1921 reports were received from 252 active establishments as compared with 253 in 1920 and 258 in 1919. The largest number of plants, 81, was reported from New York. This state, however, ranked third in the consumption of pulpwood, being superseded in 1921 by Wisconsin for the first time. Maine is the most important state in this industry, reporting 22 per cent of the total quantity of pulpwood consumed in the United States.

The figures for 1921 are preliminary and subject to such changes as may be necessary from further examination of the reports.

Comparative statement follows:

Pulpwood consumption and wood-pulp production, by states: 1919, 1920 and 1921. <sup>1/</sup>							
State.	Pulpwood consumption. (cords)			Wood-pulp production. (tons, 2,000 lbs.)			
	1921.	1920.	1919.	1921.	1920.	1919.	
United States.	4,557,179	6,114,072	5,477,832	2,875,601	3,821,704	3,517,952	
Maine . . . . .	1,005,158	1,389,495	1,279,852	710,329	942,730	916,764	
Michigan . . . . .	186,532	243,632	207,234	103,532	132,776	106,194	
Minnesota . . . . .	164,547	254,193	203,862	117,934	170,216	129,560	
New Hampshire . . . . .	258,206	403,530	375,597	152,797	239,634	232,154	
New York . . . . .	781,168	1,130,505	1,055,145	606,869	830,045	811,958	
Oregon and California . . . . .	192,869	190,399	171,765	124,494	148,877	125,990	
Pennsylvania . . . . .	326,486	490,784	423,822	167,310	238,013	215,686	
Wisconsin . . . . .	867,195	964,781	854,185	488,501	548,528	506,549	
All other states.	775,018	1,046,753	906,370	403,835	570,885	475,117	

(1) Compiled by the Forest Service.



